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TAGS: MARR MORG LE PEPR CZ

SUBJ: SOUTH LEBANON: EAST EUROPEAN CONTINGENT FOR UNIFIL

REFS: (A) STATE 091064, (B) USUN 01325

1. DREW ON HELPFUL REFTELS TO TELL FONMIN BOUTROS THIS MORNING
THAT UN HAD NOT APPROACHED CZECKS AND WAS NOT PLANNING APPROACH
OTHER EAST EUROPEANS ABOUT SENDING CONTINGENTS TO UNIFIL. HE
THEN ASKED ME WHAT ABOUT SOVIET OBSERVERS. NOT HAVING SEEN
JERUSALEM'S 1031, I TOLD HIM THERE WAS NOTHING FURTHER ON THAT
SCORE. HE SAID HE WOULD STILL LIKE TO HAVE OUR VIEWS ON
QUESTION.

2. WE HAVE IMPRESSION, PERHAPS INCORRECT, THAT WASHINGTON
IS OF TWO MINDS ABOUT QUESTION OF USE OF SOVIET OBSERVERS
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FROM UNTSO IN UNIFIL. WE SEEM TO BE CONFRONTED WITH A FAIT
ACCOMPLI IN ANY EVENT, AND PERHAPS THE SOVIETS WILL SAVE US
FROM HAVING TO WORRY ABOUT IT BY REFUSING TO LET THEIR
OFFICERS BE SECONDED. WHATEVER OUR VIEWS, IT WOULD BE USEFUL
FOR ME TO HAVE SOMETHING AUTHORIZED TO SAY TO BOUTROS,
PERHAPS ALONG ONE OF FOLLOWING LINES:

A. UN SECRETARIAT IS EXERCISING ITS PREROGATIVE TO
MOVE PEOPLE AROUND AND THERE IS NOTHING EITHER OF US CAN DO
ABOUT IT.

B. WE THINK GOL SHOULD ACTIVELY OPPOSE STATIONING OF
SOVIET OBSERVERS AT THIS TIME BECAUSE OF SOVIET-PLO
RELATIONS AND BECAUSE OF PROBABLE ISRAELI REACTION.

C. WE HOPE GOL CAN FIND MEANS TO LET UNSY KNOW TACTFULLY
THAT IT IS UNHAPPY WITH UN'S ACTION IN THIS CASE.

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